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Daily Digest

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced, during the recess: One bill was introduced, as follows: S. 1510. **Page S5339**

Measures Introduced: Five bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1511–1515, S.J. Res. 25, and S. Res. 257. **Pages S5339–40**

Measures Reported:

Reported on Tuesday, August 30, during the adjournment:

S. 404, to modify a land grant patent issued by the Secretary of the Interior. (S. Rept. No. 112–56)

S. 512, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to require the Secretary of Energy to carry out programs to develop and demonstrate 2 small modular nuclear reactor designs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 112–57)

S. 1510, to promote the domestic development and deployment of clean energy technologies. (S. Rept. No. 112–47)

S. 201, to clarify the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior with respect to the C.C. Cragin Dam and Reservoir. (S. Rept. No. 112–48)

S. 270, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to Deschutes County, Oregon, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 112–49)

S. 271, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into a property conveyance with the city of Wallowa, Oregon, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 112–50)

S. 278, to provide for the exchange of certain land located in the Arapaho-Roosevelt National Forests in the State of Colorado. (S. Rept. No. 112–51)

S. 292, to resolve the claims of the Bering Straits Native Corporation and the State of Alaska to land adjacent to Salmon Lake in the State of Alaska and to provide for the conveyance to the Bering Straits Native Corporation of certain other public land in partial satisfaction of the land entitlement of the

Corporation under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 112–52)

S. 333, to reinstate and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project involving the Little Wood River Ranch. (S. Rept. No. 112–53)

S. 334, to reinstate and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project involving the American Falls Reservoir. (S. Rept. No. 112–54)

S. 382, to amend the National Forest Ski Area Permit Act of 1986 to clarify the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture regarding additional recreational uses of National Forest System land that is subject to ski area permits, and for other permits. (S. Rept. No. 112–55)

S. 519, to further allocate and expand the availability of hydroelectric power generated at Hoover Dam, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 112–58)

S. 535, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to lease certain lands within Fort Pulaski National Monument. (S. Rept. No. 112–59)

S. 683, to provide for the conveyance of certain parcels of land to the town of Mantua, Utah, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 112–60)

S. 684, to provide for the conveyance of certain parcels of land to the town of Alta, Utah, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 112–61)

S. 808, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow for prepayment of repayment contracts between the United States and the Uintah Water Conservancy District. (S. Rept. No. 112–62)

S. 897, to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to clarify that uncertified States and Indian tribes have the authority to use certain payments for certain noncoal reclamation projects and acid mine remediation programs. (S. Rept. No. 112–63)

S. 916, to facilitate appropriate oil and gas development on Federal land and waters, to limit dependence of the United States on foreign sources of oil and gas, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 112–64)

S. 997, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to extend a water contract between the United States and the East Bench Irrigation District. (S. Rept. No. 112–65)

S. 1067, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to require the Secretary of Energy to carry out a research and development and demonstration program to reduce manufacturing and construction costs relating to nuclear reactors, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 112–66)

S. 954, to promote the strengthening of the Haitian private sector. (S. Rept. No. 112–67)

Reported on Tuesday, September 6:

S. 572, to amend title 38, United States Code, to repeal the prohibition on collective bargaining with respect to matters and questions regarding compensation of employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs other than rates of basic pay. (S. Rept. No. 112–68)

S. 714, to reauthorize the Federal Land Transaction Facilitation Act, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 112–69)

S. 734, to provide for a program of research, development, demonstration, and commercial application in vehicle technologies at the Department of Education, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 112–70)

S. 1000, to promote energy savings in residential and commercial buildings and industry, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 112–71)

S. 1001, to reduce oil consumption and improve energy security, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 112–72) **Page S5338**

Measures Passed:

Honoring the Late Senator Mark O. Hatfield: Senate agreed to S. Res. 257, relative to the death of the Honorable Mark O. Hatfield, former United States Senator for the State of Oregon. **Page S5344**

Measures Considered:

Leahy-Smith America Invents Act—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 1249, to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide for patent reform. **Page S5328**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 93 yeas to 5 nays (Vote No. 125), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion

to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S5328**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at approximately 11 a.m., on Wednesday, September 7, 2011, and that all time during adjournment, recess and morning business count post-cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S5344**

Appointments:

Joint Select Committee on Deficit Reduction: The Chair announced the following appointment made by the Majority Leader during the recess:

Pursuant to Public Law 112–25, on behalf of the Majority Leader, the appointment of the following Senators to serve as members of the Joint Select Committee on Deficit Reduction on August 10, 2011:

Senator Murray, Co-Chair, Senator Baucus, and Senator Kerry. **Page S5344**

Joint Select Committee on Deficit Reduction: The Chair announced the following appointment made by the Republican Leader during the recess:

Pursuant to Public Law 112–25, on behalf of the Republican Leader, the appointment of the following Senators to serve as members of the Joint Select Committee on Deficit Reduction on August 12, 2011:

Senator Kyl, Senator Portman, and Senator Toomey. **Page S5344**

Late Senator Hatfield Tributes—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at 2:30 p.m., on Wednesday, September 7, 2011, there be 30 minutes for tributes to the late Senator Mark O. Hatfield, as if in morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each. **Page S5344**

Executive Reports of Committees: Senate received the following executive reports of a committee:

Received on Tuesday, August 30, 2011 during the adjournment of the Senate:

Report to accompany Protocol Amending Tax Convention with Swiss Confederation (Treaty Doc. 112–1) (Ex. Rept. 112–1);

Report to accompany Investment Treaty with Rwanda (Treaty Doc. 110–23) (Ex. Rept. 112–2);

Report to accompany Mutual Legal Assistance Treaty with Bermuda (Treaty Doc. 111–6) (Ex. Rept. 112–3);

Report to accompany Tax Convention with Hungary (Treaty Doc. 111–7) (Ex. Rept. 112–4); and

Report to accompany Protocol Amending Tax Convention with Luxembourg (Treaty Doc. 111–8) (Ex. Rept. 112–5). **Pages S5338–39**

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 96 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. EX. 124), Bernice Bouie Donald, of Tennessee, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit. **Page S5322–28**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Alan B. Krueger, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers.

Michael A. Khouri, of Kentucky, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for a term expiring June 30, 2016.

Albert DiClemente, of Delaware, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors for a term of five years.

Mark Francis Brzezinski, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Sweden.

Susan Denise Page, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to the Republic of South Sudan.

Adam E. Namm, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Ecuador.

Sara Margalit Aviel, of California, to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for a term of two years.

Eduardo Arriola, of Florida, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring October 6, 2016.

J. Kelly Ryan, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for the remainder of the term expiring September 20, 2012.

Dana Katherine Bilyeu, of Nevada, to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board for a term expiring October 11, 2015.

David Avren Jones, of Connecticut, to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board for a term expiring October 11, 2014.

James R. Hannah, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring September 17, 2013.

Daniel J. Becker, of Utah, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring September 17, 2013.

Drew R. McCoy, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation for a term expiring January 27, 2016.

Catherine Allgor, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation for a term expiring September 27, 2014.

Steven H. Cohen, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation for a term expiring December 10, 2013.

David J. McMillan, of Minnesota, to be a Member of the Advisory Board of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation.

Wenona Singel, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Advisory Board of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation.

Mary B. Verner, of Washington, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Institute of Building Sciences for a term expiring September 7, 2012.

Mary B. Verner, of Washington, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Institute of Building Sciences for a term expiring September 7, 2015.

Michael James Warren, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for a term expiring December 17, 2014.

5 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

5 Army nominations in the rank of general.

3 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—125) **Pages S5327–28**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Mark O. Hatfield, former United States Senator, in accordance with S. Res. 257, at 6:53 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, September 7, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5344–45.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations